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SUBJ: ASEAN SUPPORT FOR KHMER CREDENTIALS AT 29TH UNGA

REF: A. STATE 129536

B. KUALA LUMPUR 2884

C. SINGAPORE 2690

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1. IN JUNE 24 MEETING WITH GKR FORMIN KEUKY LIM I
SUGGESTED THAT HE INSTRUCT HIS AMBASSADORS IN THE
ASEAN CAPITALS TO APPROACH THOSE GOVERNMENTS IN ORDER
TO ENCOURAGE THEM TO PLAY AGAIN THIS COMING YEAR THE
HIGHLY EFFECTIVE LOBBYING ROLE THEY UNDERTOOK LAST YEAR
ON BEHALF OF THE GKR'S CREDENTIALS AT THE UNGA. I
SAID OUR EMBASSIES IN THOSE CAPITALS COULD MAKE SUPPORTIVE
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APPROACHES, IF NECESSARY, BUT WE SHOULD NOT GET OUT IN

FRONT OF THE
GKR'S REPRESENTATIVES. I REFERRED TO
THE MAY 8 PRESS STATEMENT FOLLOWING THE SEVENTH ASEAN
MINISTERS' MEETING IN JAKARTA REITERATING THEIR
JOINT VIEW THAT THE KHMER SHOULD SOLVE THEIR OWN POLITICAL
PROBLEMS WITHOUT OUTSIDE INTERFERENCE AND THAT THE UN
SHOULD NOT TAKE ANY ACTION WHICH MAY PREJUDICE THE
DECISION OF THE KHMER PEOPLE THEMSELVES. I SUGGESTED
TO LIM THAT THIS WOULD BE AN EXCELLENT POINT OF DEPARTURE
FOR THE GKR'S DEMARCHES TO THE ASEAN GOVERNMENTS.

2. LIM EXPRESSED DISCOURAGEMENT OVER THE PROSPECT OF
ASEAN LOBBYING ACTIVITY FOR THE GKR. HE SAID HE HAD
VISITED THE ASEAN CAPITALS IN MARCH, AND WHILE THEY
HAD ALL INDICATED THEY WOULD VOTE FOR THE GKR THEY
APPEARED RELUCTANT TO MOUNT A CAMPAIGN ON BEHALF OF
THE GKR. LIM DOUBTED THAT ANOTHER ROUND OF APPROACHES
WOULD BE PRODUCTIVE.

3. I URGED THE FORMIN TO MOUNT ANOTHER EFFORT TO GET
THE ASEAN COUNTRIES TO TAKE THE LEAD ON THIS
QUESTION. I EMPHASIZED OUR VIEW THAT THIS WOULD
PROBABLY BE THE KEY TO WINNING THEIR CASE AT THE UNGA
THIS YEAR, AS IT WAS LAST YEAR. ON BASIS MY PRODDING,
KEUKY LIM SAID HE WOULD INSTRUCT KHMER AMBASSADORS
IN ASEAN CAPITALS TO UNDERTAKE SUGGESTED DEMARCHES.
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